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This is a reply to the Office Action mailed June 6, 2002 setting a three (3) month statutory period for response. Please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 11 and 16-20 without prejudice.

Please amend the claims as follows: